

What is claimed is:

1. A digital camera, comprising:
an optical system;
an image processing unit for processing an object image received
through the optical system;
5 a memory for storing the processed photographed image data; and
a transmitter for transmitting the photographed image data stored in
the memory to a prescribed photographed image data storage device over a
network, wherein

10 the photographed image stored in the photographed image data
storage device can be viewed by accessing the photographed image data
storage device over the network by using access data that is unique to each
digital camera.

2. The digital camera according to claim 1, wherein the access data
is provided to each digital camera in an invisible manner.

3. The digital camera according to claim 2, wherein a plurality of
copies of the access data are provided to each digital camera in an invisible
manner.

4. The digital camera according to claim 1, wherein the access data
is pre-stored in the memory.

5. The digital camera according to claim 1, wherein the memory
stores an identification code for specifying a selling area of the digital
camera.

6. A digital camera collecting system for collecting a digital camera
that stores an image of an object photographed by a user as digital data,
comprising:

a selling station for selling the digital camera;

5 a collecting station for collecting the sold digital camera;
an image data station for delivering the photographed image in the
collected digital camera over a network; and

a personal computer capable of connecting to the image data station
over the network, wherein

10 the user who bought the digital camera views the photographed
image by accessing the image data station through the personal computer.

7. The digital camera collecting system according to claim 6,
wherein the digital camera has a unique access code, and the user accesses
the image data station by using the access code.

8. The digital camera collecting system according to claim 7,
wherein the unique access code is provided to the digital camera in an
invisible manner.

9. The digital camera collecting system according to claim 6,
wherein a plurality of selling stations and collecting stations are provided,
the image data station is capable of delivering the photographed image to
the plurality of selling stations and collecting stations, and the plurality of
5 selling stations and collecting stations each includes a display device for
displaying the delivered image.

10. An information terminal device for accessing over a network an
image data storage device that stores prescribed image data, the prescribed
image data being an image photographed by a user with a digital camera,
the terminal device comprising:

5 an access unit for accessing the image data storage device over the
network by using access data that is unique to each digital camera;

an introducing unit for introducing a desired image from the image
data storage device; and

10 a display device for displaying the image introduced by the
introducing unit.

11. A photographed image storage device for transmitting digital image data photographed by a user with a digital camera to a user's receiving terminal over a network as requested from the user, comprising:

an accepting device for accepting access from the user over the network;

a determination unit for determining whether the user is a proper user or not when the accepting device accepts the access; and

a transmitter for transmitting a prescribed photographed image to the user's receiving terminal as requested from the user, when the determination unit determines that the user is a proper user.

12. The photographed image storage device according to claim 11, wherein the determination unit includes a determination unit for determining whether the digital camera has been disassembled or not.

13. The photographed image storage device according to claim 11, wherein the accepting device for accepting access from the user over the network accepts the access according to a prescribed protocol, and the determination unit includes a determination unit for determining whether the protocol is the prescribed protocol or not.

14. The photographed image storage device according to claim 11, wherein the accepting device for accepting access from the user over the network accepts access from a prescribed user's receiving terminal, and the determination unit includes a determination unit for determining whether the access is from the prescribed user's receiving terminal or not.

15. A photographed image display device for displaying data photographed by a user with a digital camera by accessing a prescribed photographed image storage device on a network, the photographed image display device being provided at a store where the digital camera is available to the user, the photographed image display device comprising:
an access unit for accessing the photographed image storage device

over the network by using access data that is unique to each digital camera;
an introducing unit for introducing a photographed image as desired
by the user from the photographed image storage device over the network;
10 and
a display device for displaying the desired photographed image
introduced by the introducing unit.

16. A method for viewing an image, comprising the steps of:
causing a user to use a digital camera for storing an image as digital
data;
collecting the used digital camera;
5 storing a photographed image of the collected digital camera in a
prescribed image storage device on a network; and
viewing the photographed image by the user by accessing the image
storage device over the network by using access data that is unique to each
digital camera.